

ARIZONA BOARD OF ATHLETIC TRAINING

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REGULAR SESSION MEETING MINUTES

October 3, 2012

Board Members Present: Michael Nesbitt, ATC - Chair

Aaron Nelson, ATC- Vice Chair Harry Callihan - Public Member Eric Freas ATC- Board Member Jennifer Fadeley- Public Member

Staff Present: J. Randy Frost, Executive Director

Veronica Cardoza, Administrative Assistant

Legal Staff Present: Beth Campbell, Assistant Attorney General

Call to order

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Arizona State Board of Athletic Training was called to order at 9:35 a.m.

Approval of the Meeting Minutes

Harry Callihan moved to accept the regular session meeting minutes of September 10, 2012. Eric Freas seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0.

Declaration of conflicts of Interest

Michael Nesbitt was asked to recues himself from 7 (a) application of Stephen McMullen.

Review Board Meeting Schedule

There were no changes made to the meeting schedule.

- a. November 5, 2012 Telephonic
- b. December 3, 2012 In Person
- c. January 7, 2012 In Person

Review, Discussion, and Possible Action - Complaints, Investigations & Compliance

Initial Review of Complaints

There were no new complaints to come before the Board.

Open Complaints and Investigations

Aaron Cox, #0427- The Assistant AG, Beth Campbell, informed the Board that the AGs Office is still trying to work with Mr. Cox's Attorney on an agreement. Staff informed the Board that Mr. Cox is still incarcerated and that he will not be getting out anytime soon. Staff will continue to monitor and inform the Board if anything changes.

Discipline Status Report

The Board discussed the Disciplinary Status Report of the following licensees:

- 1. Mohammed Mirza, ATC License # 0924, Staff reported that there wasn't anything new to report. Staff will contact Mr. Mirza to check on his progress.
- 2. Ryan Pinson, ATC License # 0238, Staff reported that there wasn't anything new to report.
- 3. Jeffrey Schrock, ATC Lic. # 0672, Staff informed the Board that Mr. Schrock has yet to provide the Board with a payment and proof of course completion. Staff also informed the Board that the BOC informed us that Mr. Schrock is not in good standing as he failed to renew his certification. The Board directed Staff to do further research on Mr. Schrock and report the findings at the next meeting.
- 4. Glenn Steele, ATC Lic. # 0340, Staff reported that there wasn't anything new to report.
- 5. Chad Cook, ATC Lic. # 1092, Staff reported that there wasn't anything new to report.
- 6. Ricardo Moreno, ATC Lic # 0281, Staff reported that Mr. Moreno is still employed with the Globetrotters.
- 7. Jennifer Hoenig, Staff reported that Ms. Hoenig signed her consent agreement.

Informal Interviews

There were no informal interviews to come before the Board.

<u>Substantive review, discussion, and vote regarding the applications for licenses as follows</u>

a. Initial applications

Aaron Nelson moved to approve 5 of the 6 initial applications listed. Eric Freas seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0.

The Board then reviewed the previously tabled application of Stephen L. McMullen. Mr. McMullen was present and addressed the Board regarding his duties at Gila Ridge high school in Yuma AZ. Mr. McMullen stated that he is a teacher and teaches the sports medicine class at Gila Ridge. Mr. McMullen stated that he has worked on athletes during sporting events and admitted to practicing without a license. After much discussion, the Board went into executive session for legal advice. Upon returning to open session, Jennifer Fadeley moved to grant Mr. McMullen a license upon his signing of a consent agreement for probation, continuing education and civil penalty. Eric Freas seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0. Mr. Nesbitt recused himself.

b. Renewal applications

Jennifer Fadeley moved to approve 15 of the 17 renewal applications listed. Eric Freas seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0.

The Board discussed the application of Crystal Mowbray who practiced on an expired license. Aaron Nelson moved to approve the application of Ms. Mowbray and issue a confidential advisory letter. Eric Freas seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0.

Aaron Nelson moved to open a complaint for against Samantha Birchall, Head Athletic Trainer at Agua Fria Union High School. Eric Freas seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0.

The Board then discussed the application of Sara Smith who practiced on an expired license. Aaron Nelson moved to approve the application of Ms. Smith and issue a consent agreement for probation. Jennifer Fadeley seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0.

Jennifer Fadeley moved to open a complaint against the Head Athletic Trainer at Arizona State University. Aaron Nelson seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0.

c. Renewal applications: (continued practice without current license)

There were none.

d. Incomplete applications:

There were no incomplete applications to come before the Board.

Review, Discussion, and Possible Action - Other Business

- a. The Board discussed ideas that they would like to see discussed on future agendas. The following items were discussed:
 - Protocol to approach employers of athletic trainers regarding licensing issues.
 - Mandatory licensed athletic trainers in school athletics programs.
 - Protocol on how to handle inquiries and verbal complaints from the public.
 - Future Board automation efforts.
 - Ways to make the Board website more informative
- b. The Board discussed the future entry level masters program for athletic trainers. Dr. Debbie Craig from Northern Arizona University spoke to the Board telephonically

regarding a future masters program to be offered. Dr. Craig asked the Board if there is a way to get kids more hands on experience prior to applying to the program. Beth Campbell, Assistant Attorney General, spoke on behalf of the Board and explained to Dr. Craig that the Board would be unable to comment as it would be an interpretation of the law.

- c. The Board discussed the relationship of the Board and the Arizona Athletic Trainers Association (AATA). Michael Nesbitt informed the Board that the AATA just had elections and that once it's known who they are, we can contact them and invite them to a future Board meeting.
- d. The Board reviewed and discussed the transcript received by Andrew Powers. Mr. Powers completed a portion of the continuing education required in his now void consent agreement. Mr. Powers consent agreement was voided after he decided not to renew his license.

Review, Discussion, and Possible Action Regarding AZ DPS Background Reports

There were no reports to discuss.

Review, Discussion and Possible Action regarding the revision of the Admin. Rules

a. Executive Director, Randy Frost updated the Board on the status of the proposed rules. Mr. Frost informed the Board that the comment period has ended and that were didn't receive any comments. The proposed rules will now go before to the Governors Regulatory Review Council (GRRC). Mr. Frost explained the GRRC process.

Review, Discussion and Possible Action - Administrative Matter

a. Revenue and Expenditure.

Executive Director, Randy Frost provided an update on the Boards financial situation.

b. Review of Administrative Project Status.

Executive Director, Randy Frost provided an update on various projects to the Board.

c. Future Agenda Items.

Call to the Public

No one from the public was in attendance at this time.

<u>Adjournment</u>

The Board Meeting adjourned at 12:20 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Randy Frost, Executive Director